



## Experiencing Marine Reserves Casual Snorkel Experiences at Goat Island

The Experiencing Marine Reserves (EMR) programme specializes in marine education. EMR empowers schools and communities by providing hands-on experiences in the ocean.

Our 'once off' introductory snorkel experiences in the ocean are run in accordance with EMR snorkel Risk Assessment & Management and Standard Operating Procedures, EMR kaupapa (looking and learning) and conditions outlined within the schools agreement.

Your snorkel experience will be led in-water by a EMR coordinator/snorkel instructor. We will also require adult 'supervisors' with appropriate skills to buddy up and supervise the students in water). The role of 'supervisors' is to assist and supervise the student's in-water and are expected to be confident swimmers, fit and healthy and free from the influence of drugs or alcohol.

What the school should bring:

- Food and plenty to drink. Sun hat & sunscreen
- Togs and towel (wetsuits and snorkelling gear are supplied, but need to wear their own togs underneath)
- Warm jersey for on beach and after their swim

**Make sure you take a look at our educators manual**

Also our website has many great resources

<http://www.emr.org.nz/index.php/education/information-for-educators>



## **1 Day at Goat Island (quotes can be provided other snorkel sites)**

EMR services estimate for:

- **10-48 participants = \$600 +GST** (\$12.50pp based on 48 students – max # of 12 supervisors needed per rotation\*)
- **49-60 participants = \$650 +GST** (\$10.80pp based on 60 students– max # of 10 supervisors needed per rotation\*)
- **61+ participants = \$900 +GST** (\$9.36pp based on 96 students – max # of 12 supervisors needed per rotation\*)

This estimate is scaled directly on the number of days.

*Please note that the above price is based participation of up to **X** students over **1** day and **1** EMR coordinator, the group would need to provide **X** in-water adult supervisors (\*years 1-8 a 1:2 ratio preferred - 1:4 max / years 9-13 a 1:4 ratio preferred - 1:6 max) and a shore watch person, all snorkel gear provided and includes packing/cleaning. Prices include coordinator mileage, delivery time (including free gear hire for students and adults, however we may charge extra for loss or gear breakage), admin (10%) and gear and H & S levy, plus GST. Extra costs incurred or time involved, may result in increase in quote/invoice amount. Last minute cancellations due to non-weather related circumstances may result in a cancellation fee (terms outlined below). Changes in quote due to drop in student numbers needs to be made 2 weeks prior to snorkel.*

### **EMR service outline and timetable**

The snorkelling experience will include:

- Guided Snorkel and introduction to **Goat Island (weather dependent)**
- Marine biodiversity and safety briefings
- Safety paperwork and RAMS provided
- Guided snorkel experience
- Marine conservation debrief
- All equipment provided for students and adults

### **Weather Calls/Postponements**

Sensible assessment of environmental conditions, clear instruction and adequate supervision are the keys to EMR's snorkel risk management. We base our decisions on the safety of the sea conditions, on some occasions sea conditions may be safe, but rain showers may occur, on these occasion the school will be advised and they will decide the appropriate action and or preparation. The EMR snorkel leader undertakes a pre-site inspection and obtains up-to-date weather reports before field trips commence. Snorkel leaders/coordinators will make recommendations to the teacher in charge, and decisions will be made cautiously, on some occasions an alternative snorkel location may be sought instead of a postponement or cancellation. If we feel a re-location is best, your coordinator will contact you the night before, if you do not hear from us you can assume the weather is fine for the planned location.

**Rough Day Structure – This timing is flexible – discuss when you express your interest.**

For 60 students – 3 groups of 20. (For 61+ students – 4 groups of up to 24 – two coordinators needed)

	<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Group 3</b>
<b>0930-1000</b>	Briefing	Briefing	Briefing
<b>1000-1130</b>	<b>Snorkel</b>	Lunch/free time	Other activity 1
<b>1130-1300</b>	Other activity 1	<b>Snorkel</b>	Lunch/free time
<b>1300-1430</b>	Lunch/free time	Other activity 1	<b>Snorkel</b>
<b>1430-1445</b>	Debrief	Debrief	Debrief

For up to 48 students – 2 groups of up to 24.

	<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>
<b>0930-1000</b>	Briefing	Briefing
<b>1000-1130</b>	<b>Snorkel</b>	Other activity/morning tea
<b>1130-1300</b>	Other activity/morning tea	<b>Snorkel</b>
<b>1300-1315</b>	Debrief	Debrief

Please note – that the price will not change if you have students drop out. We may be able to requote with 2 weeks notice if your numbers have changed dramatically.

Register your interest here: <https://www.emr.org.nz/index.php/education/express-your-interest>

Or contact Lorna Doogan on [Lorna@emr.org.nz](mailto:Lorna@emr.org.nz) or 02102732339 for more information.